

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research 1400 Tenth Street Sacramento. CA 95814

FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation

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PROJECT TITLE: Bothe-Napa Valley State Park Visitor Center Enhancement Project

LOCATION: Bothe-Napa Valley State Park COUNTY: Napa

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

Update, improve, and enhance existing interpretive exhibits and displays in the contact, diorama, map, and audio-visual rooms of the Visitor Center at Bothe Napa Valley State Park to improve volunteer recruitment and retention and comply with Americans with Disabilities Act guidelines. Work will:

- Upgrade and install lighting and floor coverings as appropriate
- Install a hands-on demonstration cart with storage.
- Build one primary contact desk with storage to accommodate staff and act as a sales counter.
- Install doors over existing shelving.
- Install informational boards, new exhibit panels, exhibit cases, mural exhibits, HDTV and audio displays with associated wiring, and track lighting.

Improvements will meet California State Parks 2005 Accessibility Guideline Standards. Visitor center upgrades will enhance the interpretation of the natural and cultural history of Bothe-Napa Valley State Park.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Diablo Vista District

EXEMPT STATUS:

Categorical Exemption Class: 1, 3 Section: 15301, 15303

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT: Project consists of the repair and minor alteration of existing public facilities, or topographical features, involving no expansion of use beyond current levels and installation of small new equipment and facilities in small structures included as "interpretive signing or panels" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's exempt activities, in accordance with CCR §15300.4.

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